NEWS RELEASE

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FULL FREEWAY CLOSURES SCHEDULED FOR I-405 FREEWAY

INGLEWOOD –The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will close all lanes of the **southbound** San Diego Freeway (I-405) at various locations for overhead sign and loop detector installation, nightly, March 13 and 14, Monday and Tuesday, from midnight until 5 a.m., weather permitting. Detour signage will be posted.

- March 13, from La Tijera Boulevard to Manchester Boulevard
- March 14, from Arbor Vitae Street Overcrossing to Glenn Anderson Freeway (I-105)

Caltrans will also close various lanes, ramps, and connectors on the northbound and southbound I-405, from Jefferson Boulevard to Imperial Highway, for High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lane and soundwall construction each night, Monday, March 13 through Friday, March 17, weather permitting. The closures are as follows:

NIGHTLY, MONDAY, MARCH 13 THROUGH FRIDAY, MARCH 17:

Northbound I-405, up to two lanes from the eastbound Glenn Anderson Freeway (I-105) connector to Manchester Boulevard/La Cienega Boulevard, up to two lanes from Manchester Boulevard/La Cienega Boulevard to Braddock Avenue, will be closed nightly from 10 p.m. until 5 a.m. The La Tijera Boulevard off-ramp will also be closed from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Southbound I-405, up to two lanes from Braddock Avenue to Jefferson Boulevard; up to two lanes from Jefferson Boulevard to La Cienega Boulevard; up to two lanes from La Cienega Boulevard to Century Boulevard; and Century Boulevard to Imperial Highway from 6 a.m. until 6 p.m.

The \$34.7 million I-405 HOV lane project started construction in spring, 2003. The project will add 5.1 miles of HOV lanes in both the northbound and southbound directions along I-405 between Route 105 and Route 90. Soundwalls will be built at various locations. The time frame for completion is winter, 2006.

Caltrans reminds motorists to "Slow For The Cone Zone"

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